On clause 7.

Ald. Kingston moved that the clause do pass.

In amendment Ald. Taylor moved that the salary of the City Clerk and Treasurer be $1,100 each.

In further amendment Ald. Stringer moved that the salaries be taken up in rotation and each disposed of on its merits. Carried.

Ald. Cowan moved that the City Clerk's salary remain as it is at present, and it was carried.

Ald. Taylor moved that the salary of the Treasurer be $1,100 per annum, and that the city pay his guarantee premium.

Ald. Green moved in amendment that the Treasurer's salary be $1,300 and the guarantee.

Ald. Hodgins moved that the Treasurer's salary be $1,200 and the guarantee, and that he be allowed his perquisites as before. Carried.

Ald. Taylor moved that the matter of the City Engineer's salary be referred to No. 2 Committee to ascertain if other arrangements cannot be made. Carried.

Ald. Christie moved that the matter of the Street Commissioner's salary be referred to No. 2 Committee. Carried.

It was decided that the salaries of the Police Court Clerk and Relief Inspector remain as before. Carried.

Ald. Taylor moved that the salary of the Resident Hospital Surgeon be $800.

In amendment, Ald. Green moved that the salary remain as before. Carried.

It was decided that the salary of the Chief of the Fire Department remain as at present.

The Committee rose and reported, and the Council resumed, with the Mayor in the chair.

Ald. Stringer moved that the report of the Committee be adopted. Ald. Brown seconded.

In amendment, Ald. Kingston moved that the clause of the report of No. 1 Committee recommending no change in salaries be adopted. Seconded by Ald. Stringer.

The amendment was then carried on the following division:

Yeas—Watson, Green, O'Meara, Cowan, Kingston, Scarrow, Hodgins—7.

Nays—Taylor, Browne, Hook, Stringer, Christie—5.

Ald. Green reported progress on behalf of the Exhibition Grounds Committee, who had called for tenders. They asked for permission to ask the Government on what terms they would be willing to exchange their property in the city for a portion of Carling's farm or other property.

Ald. Stringer moved that the committee be empowered to ask the Government on what terms they are willing to exchange the military grounds in the city for a portion of Carling's farm or other property as may be selected. Ald. Christie seconded. Carried.

A communication from S. Thompson, hide inspector, relative to rent of office was referred to No. 3 Committee.

Mayor Becher stated that the agreement between the city and the Grand Trunk Railway as to terms for water supply had about expired, and the Commissioners desired to renew it. They asked permission to renew the lease and had agreed on $2,750 per year for the next five years.

Ald. Taylor moved that the matter be laid over for further consideration. Ald. O'Meara seconded. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Taylor, seconded by Ald. Hook, that in view of the expressio of dissatisfaction in the cost and management generally of our City Hospital, and in justice to the present officials of the institution, a Committee consisting of the following members be appointed—Ald Kingston, Hook and Hodgins—to thoroughly investigate into the manner in whic the books of the Hospital have been an are being kept, and also into the gener management of the institution in every pa ticular for the years 1881, 1882, 1883 an 1884, with power to question employes i the Hospital.

Ald. Cowan rose to a point of order o the motion.

Mayor Becher ruled that Ald. Taylor motion was out of order

Ald. Cowan moved that in accordanc with rule 10 of the rules relative to th City Hospital, an investigation of charges that may be made in reference t the Hospital be passed to No. 3 Committe and that all charges be made in writin Ald. Watson seconded.

The motion of Ald. Cowan was th carried on the following division:—

Yeas—Watson, Green, Cowan, Hoo Stringer and Scarrow—6.

Nays — Taylor, O'Meara, Hodgin Christie—4.

Adjourned for two weeks.

Council Proceedings.

COUNCIL CHAMBER April 1st, 1885.

A special meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber on the 1st inst. Present—Mayor Becher (in the chair), Ald. Taylor, Watson, Green, O'Meara, Cowan, Kingston, Brown, Hook, Stringer, Hodgins, Christie and Scarrow.

Mayor Becher explained briefly his object in calling the meeting. He said that as the Seventh Battalion were under orders for active service, it was likely that in a day or two they would be called out and be *en route* to the North-west. He had spoken during the day to several citizens, who thought this Council should take action similar to that adopted by those of Toronto, Kingston and Montreal, in recognizing the men and making a promise to take care of the wives and families of soldiers left unprovided for, so that they should not be in want of the necessities of life. He had communicated with Cols. Aylmer and Williams, who thought that the most useful gift they could make would be a suit of underclothing and two pair of socks to each man called out. He had seen ex-Ald. John Labatt during the day, and that gentleman had told him that if the Council furnished the men with a suit of underclothing and two pair of socks each, he was willing to pay one-third the cost. He suggested also that the Council appoint a committee to carry out the spirit of his remarks.

Ald. Kingston moved, secondedby Ald. Stringer, "That whereas the Seventh Fusiliers Battalion is under orders from Headquarters to be in readiness for active service in the North-west, and whereas it is expedient that every precaution be taken against the discomforts likely to attend such an expedition at this season; be it resolved, that in the event of the said Battalion being ordered to active duty, each member thereof chosen for such service be supplied with a complete suit of woollen underclothing and two pairs of woollen socks—the same to be procured at the expense of the Corporation; and that this Corporation pledges itself to maintain the families of such of the men as may be left unprovided for; and that the Mayor and the Chairmen of the three committees be a committee to carry into effect the object of this resolution."

Carried.

On motion of Ald. Green, seconded by Ald. Christie, it was decided that the generous offer of ex-Ald. Labatt be accepted, and that the thanks of the Council be tendered to him therefor.

Upon motion of Ald. Christie, seconded by Ald. Green, permission was granted to the East Middlesex Agricultural Society to close the gates of the Exhibition Grounds on the 17th inst.—the date of their spring show.

Adjourned.